

REMARKS

Claim 1 calls for, among other things, comparing an identifier for an external component with an identifier for an integrated component. The office action suggests that this is shown in the cited Papa reference at column 12, lines 37-41. Lines 34-41 are set forth below.

Furthermore, some of the I/O devices may be mapped into memory space while others are mapped into I/O space. The configuration program automatically detects the presence, type and address space requirements of these devices and allocates space to them by programming their address decoders to recognize the address ranges it assigns to them.

While this does appear to relate to configuration data, there is no comparison of an identifier for an external component with an identifier for an integrated component. Therefore, the cited reference fails to meet the scope of the claimed invention.

On a similar analysis, the other claims patentably distinguish over the cited reference.

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